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FOR EA/LC DIRECTOR RIVES FROM ENDERS

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SUBJECT: STEPPING UP ASSISTANCE TO CAMBODIAN REFUGEES

REF: PHNOM PENH 10563

1. UNDERSTAND THAT SOME QUESTION HAS BEEN RAISED IN REGARD TO OUR REFUGEE PROPOSAL (REFTEL) AS TO WHETHER IT IS REALISTIC TO THINK OF THE EMBASSY ABSORBING FIVE NEW POSITIONS UNDER THE CURRENT CEILING.

2. AS YOU KNOW, WE EXERCISE VERY CAREFUL CONTROL OVER PRESENCE IN COUNTRY AND OUR ACCOUNTING PERMITS US ADVANCE WARNING OF THE POSSIBILITY OF EXCEEDING THE LEGISLATIVELY SET CEILINGS. ON ONE OR TWO OCCASIONS, WE HAVE HAD TO ASK PEOPLE TO LEAVE COUNTRY ON THE DAILY C-130 BACKHAUL TO UTAPAO. HOWEVER, GENERALLY THE EMBASSY COMPLEMENT HAS REMAINED UNDER 195. THUS WE BELIEVE THAT WITH CAREFUL MANAGEMENT WE WILL BE ABLE TO ACCOMMODATE THE FIVE ADDITIONAL MEN.

3. LET ME UNDERScore THE IMPORTANCE OF THESE NEW POSITIONS TO OUR EFFORT HERE. WHAT THE REFUGEE EFFORT
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HAS LACKED SO FAR HAS BEEN PROFESSIONAL US REFUGEE

PERSONNEL TO RUN IT. WE HOPE TO HAVE A MAXIMUM
DEVELOPMENT OF VOLAG ACTIVITY, INCLUDING POSSIBLY
SOME SPECIALISTS IN SUCH FIELDS AS AGRONOMY, MEDICAL
ADMINISTRATION, AND CIVIL ENGINEERING. HOWEVER WITHOUT
STRENGTHENING THE EMBASSY STAFF SUBSTANTIALLY WE
WILL NOT BE ABLE TO COORDINATE THEIR EFFORTS EFFECTIVELY.

4. I HOPE YOU WILL BE ABLE TO GIVE US A PROMPT GO-AHEAD
ON THE PROPOSALS CONTAINED IN PHNOM PENH 10563. A LARGER
REFUGEE EFFORT HERE IS LONG OVERDUE, AND CAN NO
LONGER BE DEFERRED.
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